EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO 2001 LEGRAND SMITH SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS

HON. NICK SMITH

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2001

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, it is a sincere pleasure to recognize the finalists of the 2001 LeGrand Smith Scholarship Program. This special honor is an appropriate tribute to the academic accomplishment, demonstration of leadership and responsibility, and commitment to social involvement displayed by these remarkable young adults. We all have reason to celebrate their success, for it is in their promising and capable hands that our future rests:

Jonathan Andert of Battle Creek, Michigan. Jared Bignell of Reading, Michigan.

Rachel Carpenter of Eaton Rapids, Michigan.

Leslie DeBacker of Pittsford, Michigan.
Jeremy Fielder of Blissfield, Michigan.
Andrew Grasley of Deerfield, Michigan.
Nicole Hephner of Hillsdale, Michigan.
Lindsay Karthen of Lansing, Michigan.
Gabriel Lopez-Betanzos of Lansing, Michigan.

Alison McMullin of Battle Creek, Michigan. Timothy Miller of Quincy, Michigan.
Julie Porter of Addison, Michigan.
Josh Richardson of Brooklyn, Michigan.
Meghan Sifuentes of Charlotte, Michigan.
Anna Watkins of Coldwater, Michigan.
Janine Woods of Marshall, Michigan.

The finalists of the LeGrand Smith Congressional Scholarship Program are being honored for showing that same generosity of spirit, depth of intelligence, and capacity for human service that distinguished the late LeGrand Smith of Somerset, Michigan. They are young men and women of character, ambition, and initiative, who have already learned well the value of hard work, discipline, and commitment.

These exceptional students have consistently displayed their dedication, intelligence, and concern throughout their high school experience. They are people who stand out among their peers due to their many achievements and the disciplined manner in which they meet challenges. While they have already accomplished a great deal, these young people possess unlimited potential, for they have learned the keys to success in any endeavor. I am proud to join with their many admirers in extending our highest praise and congratulations to the finalists of the 2001 LeGrand Smith Congressional Scholarship Program.

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOP-MENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMIN-ISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2002

SPEECH OF

HON. SAXBY CHAMBLISS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 12, 2001

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2330) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes:

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. Chairman, I fully support H.R. 2330, because it provides funding for programs that will help assure the vitality of agriculture in America and particularly in Georgia. This bill allocates funding for essential programs, which allow further development and progress in food production. In addition, H.R. 2330 provides financial support for agricultural research that is crucial for finding solutions that will allow and promote more cost-effective production methods and higher quality

By allocating funding for research, this bill will help resolve problems inhibiting productivity and development. More specifically, research in pest and disease control, such as nematode and tomato spotted wilt disease research will enhance strategies used to combat crop yield losses. Also, funding is included for the development of more efficient agricultural water usage that is critical to locations in south Georgia where agricultural water usage comprises 50% of all water consumed. Furthermore, the bill includes funding for the improvement of cotton fiber quality. Funding is necessary for purchasing equipment that would be used in developing a research cotton micro gin for evaluation of cotton fiber in Georgia. Also, funding for pecan scab research is important to explore diseases that limit and inhibit pecan production.

Support for these research efforts, coupled with funding for promotional and marketing efforts, will help enable farmers to practice more efficient methods and minimize the devastating losses with which they have become all too familiar. I urge my colleagues to vote for this bill and support American Agriculture.

TRIBUTE TO RUTH HYMAN

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Monday, July \ 16, \ 2001$

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call the attention of Congress to an event on

Thursday, August 16 in New Jersey. The Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Monmouth County is holding a dinner and tribute at Temple Beth El of Oakhurst to honor Ruth Hyman. Ruth will have the distinction of receiving an Ad Journal for her work as a philanthropist and her support of Jewish causes in the area, as well as in Israel.

Ruth, close friend of mine, was born in my hometown of Long Branch, New Jersey into a family of four boys and four girls. She says that her parents' direction and teachings of tzedakah, menschlichkeit, and the Torah guided her to be the person that she is today.

Ruth's teachings as a child can well be seen in her community involvement. She is a life member of Daughters of Miriam, charter and life member of the Central Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged, founder and past chairperson of the Federation Women's Business and Professional Division, benefactor and board member of the Jewish Community Center, and an active member of B'nai Brith, AMIT, and Congregation Brothers of Israel. For the past twenty-five years Ms. Hyman has been the Chairperson of the Women's Division of Israel Bonds, and for the past twenty-six years she has been the president of the Long Branch Hadassah.

This is not the first time that Ruth will be honored for her service to the community. Ruth has received the Service Award from the Jewish Federation Women's Campaign, Woman of Valor of the Long Branch chapter of Hadassah, Israel Bonds Golda Meir Award and the Ben Gurion Award, Lay Leader of the Year by the Jewish Federation, and the Hadassah National Leadership Award. The community cannot express the debt that we owe to my friend Ruth who has shown us all that selflessness will never go unrecognized.

I want to personally thank Ruth Hyman for being a leader of the Jewish community and an excellent role model for our youth.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SERGEANT HAROLD F. ADKISON CHAPTER OF THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION UPON RECEIVING THEIR FORMAL CHARTER

HON. LINDSEY O. GRAHAM

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 16, 2001

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Sergeant Harold F. Adkison Chapter of the Korean War Veterans Association for recently receiving their formal charter. On June 25, 2001, as a result of their tireless

efforts, this chapter was officially established.

This chapter had fifty charter members before its petition for a charter was submitted, an unprecedented show of commitment. For this, the Sergeant Harold F. Adkison Chapter should certainly be commended.